

CITY OF VICTORIA

PROCLAMATION

"INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY"

- **WHEREAS** This year, on International Holocaust Remembrance Day (IHRD), we commemorate the 78th Anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau; and
- **WHEREAS** January 27th is designated by the United Nations General Assembly as International Holocaust Remembrance Day; and
- **WHEREAS** Since 2005, the UN and its member states have held commemoration ceremonies to mark the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau and to honour the victims and the survivors of the Holocaust; and
- **WHEREAS** The purpose of International Holocaust Remembrance Day is to serve as a date of the official commemoration of the victims of the Nazi regime, and to promote Holocaust education throughout the world; and
- **WHEREAS** We join with our Jewish community on an annual day to commemorate and honour the International Holocaust Remembrance Day.
- NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim Friday of January 27th, 2023, as "INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY" on the HOMELANDS of the Lekwungen speaking SONGHEES AND ESQUIMALT PEOPLE in the CITY OF VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 26th day of January, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

MARIANNE ALTO MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sponsored by: Jewish Federation Victoria and Vancouver Island